

New Orleans holding a Household Hazardous Material Collection Day, May 14

On Saturday, May 14, the New Orleans Department of Sanitation is having a Household Hazardous Materials Collection Day that will allow residents to drop off pesticides, antifreeze, bleach, garden chemicals, paint, paint thinner, flammable liquids, mercury devices, gasoline and automobile batteries.

Residents can drop off hazardous material from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the city's recycling drop-off center at 2829 Elysian Fields Ave. Residents should not place household hazardous in trash during regular pick-up. Items that will not be accepted include explosives, radioactive materials, medical waste or hazardous waste from businesses or schools. The items should not be thrown away with regular garbage or recycling, the city said.

The city reminded residents that its recycling drop-off center hosts monthly drop-off days every second Saturday, 8 a.m. until 1 p.m. Items accepted include ink jet cartridges, digital cameras, metals, electronics, gaming systems and light bulbs.

Items Accepted at the Recycling Drop-Off Center on regular days

All food items should be thoroughly washed before recycling. Monthly Drop off-Sorting is not required; however, citizens should separate paper, metals, cardboard and plastics, which are disposed of through different processes.

Shred Days

On Shred Days, the Department of Sanitation offers citizens the ability to shred personal and/or sensitive paper goods up to 50 pounds per person. This is a free community service offered in partnership with Iron Mountain.

- July 9, 2016: Shred Day
- October 8, 2016: Shred Day
- December 10, 2016: Shred Day